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Draft report of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities on its forty-ninth session

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1. The Sub-Commission considered item 3 at its 9th, 10th and 25th meetings, on 11, 12 and 21 August 1997.

2. For the list of documents issued under this item, see annex ... to the present report.

3. In the general debate on this item, statements were made by the following members of the Sub-Commission: Mr. Ali Khan (10th), Mr. Boutkevitch (10th), Mr. Eide (10th), Mr. Guissé (10th), Mr. Khalifa (10th), Ms. McDougall (9th), Ms. Warzazi (9th).

4. The Sub-Commission also heard statements by the observers for the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (10th) and the International Labour Organization (10th).

5. The Sub-Commission also heard statements by the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations: African Commission of Health and Human Rights Promoters (10th), Afro-Asian People's Solidarity Organization (9th), Association for World Education (10th), International Association of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists (10th), International Council of Jewish Women (9th), International Movement against All Forms of Discrimination and Racism (9th), International Peace Bureau (10th), International Progress Organization (9th), Liberation (9th), Movement Against Racism and for Friendship Among Peoples (9th), National Bar Association (10th), Society for Threatened Peoples (9th), Survival International Limited (9th), World Federation of Democratic Youth (10th).

6. Statements were made by the observers for: Bangladesh (10th), Cuba (10th), Iran (Islamic Republic of) (10th), Mexico (10th), Turkey (10th).

<u>Situation of migrant workers and members of their families</u>

7. At its 25th meeting, on 21 August 1997, the Sub-Commission considered draft resolution E/CN.4/Sub.2/1997/L.17, sponsored by Ms. Gwanmesia, Mr. Khalifa, Mr. Fix Zamudio, Mr. Maxim, Mr. Mehedi, Ms. Warzazi, Mr. Weissbrodt and Mr. Yimer. Mr. Alfonso-Martinez, Mr El-Hajjé and Mr. Guissé subsequently joined the sponsors.

8. Statements in connection with the draft resolution were made by Mr. Fan Guoxiang and Ms. Warzazi.

9. The draft resolution was adopted without a vote. For the text of the resolution, see chapter II, section A, resolution 1997/4.

Racism and racial discrimination

10. At its 25th meeting, on 21 August 1997, the Sub-Commission considered draft resolution E/CN.4/Sub.2/1997/L.20, sponsored by Mr. Ali Khan, Ms. Attah, Mr. Bossuyt, Mr. Boutkevitch, Mr. Chernichenko, Ms. Daes, Mr. Eide, Mr. El-Hajjé, Mr. Guissé, Mr. Fan Guoxiang, Mr. Fix Zamudio, Ms. Forero Ucros, Ms. Gwanmesia, Mr. Hatano, Mr. Joinet, Mr. Khalifa, Mr. Lindgren Alves, Mr. Maxim, Ms. McDougall, Mr. Mehedi, Ms. Palley, Mr. Park, Ms. Warzazi and Mr. Yimer.

11. Mr. Alfonso Martínez proposed the deletion of the words "without financial implications" in operative paragraph 10.

12. Statements in connection with the draft resolution and amendment were made by Mr. Alfonso-Martínez, Ms. Gwanmesia, Ms. McDougall and Ms. Warzazi.

13. The draft resolution, as amended, was adopted without a vote. For the text of the resolution, see chapter II, section A, resolution 1997/5.